



Πρωτοεπίσκοπος ἡρεμῆχμῖ ἡορθοδοξοσ
ἡτε ἡθωω εφροπ ἔτσαρησ
Coptic Orthodox Diocese of the Southern United States

*“For those who have served well as deacons obtain for themselves a good standing”
(1 Timothy 3:13)*

Requirements for ordinations to the rank of Psaltis - πψαλτησ

Roles and Responsibilities:

- Lead the congregation in the chanting of hymns of praises
- Chant in unison with the church chorus

Requirements:

The Coptic Orthodox male members of the parishes of this diocese who are presented for ordination to the ranks of psaltis (chanter) must meet the following minimum requirements:

1. Be at least six years old.
2. Display proper Christian behavior including:
 - a. Regular confession, church attendance and communion
 - b. Proper attire and general appearance, such as clothes, hair etc.
 - c. Not be under the sway of bad habits, such as smoking or drinking alcohol
3. Demonstrate proficiency in all the congregation hymns of the Divine Liturgy of St. Basil in any language.
4. Demonstrate at least 80% attendance rate in the weekly Divine Liturgies.

Blessed is the obedient son

*H.E. Metropolitan Youssef
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